

MICHIGAN COMMISSION OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Bay de Noc Community College
Joseph Heirman University Center, Room 925AB
Escanaba, MI 49829

AUGUST 14, 2013

TENTATIVE AGENDA – Revised August 6, 2013

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| 8:00 a.m. | 1. | Call to Order and Roll Call |
| | 2. | Approval of Agenda (action item) |
| | 3. | Approval of Minutes from the July 16, 2013, Commission of Agriculture and Rural Development Meeting (action item) |
| | 4. | Next Scheduled Meeting (information only) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• September 18, Southwest Michigan Research and Extension Center |
| 8:05 a.m. | 5. | Commissioner Comments and Travel (action item) |
| 8:15 a.m. | 6. | Director's Report |
| | 7. | Director's Travel <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Asheville, North Carolina, Sept. 8-11, 2013, National Association of State Departments of Agriculture Meeting, Chief Deputy Director Wenk attending• Asia Trip with Governor, Sept. 3-13, 2013 |
| 8:25 a.m. | 8. | Public Comment on Agenda Items <p>In accordance with the Public Appearance Guidelines in the Commission Policy Manual, individuals wishing to address the Commission will be allowed up to three minutes for their presentation. Documents distributed at the meeting will be considered public documents and are subject to provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. The public comment time provides the public an opportunity to speak; the Commission will not necessarily respond to the public comment.</p> |
| 8:35 a.m. | 9. | Exporter of the Year Announcement and Commission Resolution: Jamie Zmitko-Somers, International Marketing Manager (action item) |
| 8:45 a.m. | 10. | Budget Update: Gordon Wenk, Chief Deputy Director (information only) |
| 8:55 a.m. | 11. | UP Food Exchange Update: Natasha Lantz and Michelle Walk, Co-Leads, UP Food Exchange (information only) |
| 9:15 a.m. | 12. | Michigan State University Upper Peninsula Research and Extension Center Update: Ashley McFarland, Center Coordinator, MSU Upper Peninsula Research and Extension Center (information only) |

- 9:35 a.m. 13. **Upper Peninsula State Fair Update:** Jim Gale, Past Chair and Member, Upper Peninsula State Fair Authority (information only)
- 9:55 a.m. 14. **Bay de Noc Community College Update:** Dr. Laura Coleman, President, Bay de Noc Community College (information only)
- 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:25 a.m. 15. **Bell's Brewery Update:** Larry Bell, President and Founder, Bell's Brewery (information only)
- 10:45 a.m. 16. **Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP) Standards Proposed Revisions:** Jim Johnson, Director, and Jan Wilford, MAEAP Program Manager, Environmental Stewardship Division (information only)
- 11:05 a.m. 17. **Agriculture Processing Renaissance Zone for Dairy Farmers of America:** Mike DiBernardo, Grants/Economic Development Specialist, Office of Agriculture Development (action item)
- 11:15 a.m. 18. **Commissioner Issues** (action item)
- Retirement Resolution for Jeanne Y. Davis
 - Retirement Resolution for Susan K. Esser
 - Retirement Resolution for Sydney Ellen Good
- 11:25 a.m. 19. **Public Comment**
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- 11:40 a.m. 20. **Adjourn**